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FALCONIO

Receives a Beautiful Address
From the Hibernians of
Canada.

The Thoughts Expressed Were
Received With Hearty
Approval.

Sentiment That Gave Courage
and Strength to Glorious
Ancestors.

BESTOWED THE PAPAL BLESSING

In the splendid home of the St. Patrick's Literary and Scientific Society, Maria street, Ottawa, Monsignor Falconio, the departing Papal Delegate, was presented with an address by the Ancient Order of Hibernians. There was a large attendance of members and friends of the society, and the sentiments expressed in the address and His Excellency's reply were received with approval. The former was read by County President James Bennett. It was brief and pointed, and read as follows:

"May it Please Your Excellency—On the occasion of your departure from Canada the members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in the Capital City of the Dominion desire to tender to you the humble expression of their grateful appreciation of your labors in this portion of the Lord's vineyard, and the heartfelt hope that you may be able to continue your valuable services to holy church. From the first Canadian Catholics felt profound respect for Your Excellency as the representative of our Holy Father the Pope. To that feeling warm personal attachment has been added by the paternal kindness which it is well known that Your Excellency has shown to all who have had the privilege of meeting you during your three years' stay in our midst. The officers and many other members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in Ottawa have had personal experience of your fatherly kindness, and very sincerely do we thank you today for your uniform courtesy toward us. In the vaster field to which Your Excellency is now called are hundreds of thousands of our A. O. H. brethren. You will always, we venture to say, find them thoroughly loyal to the See of Peter, and by their obedience and respect to the head of the church and his Delegate ready to do the little or much that may in them lie to procure for Your Excellency the consoling assurance that your labors have produced results beneficial to their country, creditable to yourself and in every way agreeable to the great Pontiff whom you represent. We assure Your Excellency that we greatly value the honor which you are doing us today. We feel that Your Excellency's visit to our hall, and your kind utterances and wise counsel, on the eve of leaving us, will be of the greatest benefit to us. We are aware of the great importance of the position to which you have recently been named, and of the weighty responsibilities that have been laid upon you, and we shall beg all blessings in your behalf of Him who is King of nations and from whom comes every perfect gift. In conclusion we thank you once more for your many acts of kindness toward us, and we ask Your Excellency's blessing."

The distinguished prelate replied as follows:

"Gentlemen—Your address coming from the Ancient Order of Hibernians could not but be accepted with pleasure.

"It recalls to my mind an heroic Christian nation, distinguished for her faith and for her attachment to the Holy See. Her history is the history of true patriotism and true Christian heroism. From the earliest days, when St. Patrick brought to her the light of faith, up to our present time, her children have given such an example of love for their native land and of fidelity to their holy religion as to deserve the admiration of the whole Catholic world. Truly a profound sentiment of religion and patriotism has always been characteristic of the Irish nation. It was this sentiment which gave courage and strength to your glorious ancestors who, during a long period of trials and sorrows, resisted valiantly the seductions of apostasy. It was this sentiment which led them, like the first martyrs of the church, to sacrifice their lives rather than rebel against their holy religion. And it is this sentiment that you have inherited from your fathers, which even in our days renders the Irish people distinguished for their honesty, their integrity and their loyalty to church and country. Hence, if the history of Ireland is, as we may say, an unbroken series of perpetual trials and sorrows, it is also a beautiful panorama of religious and civic heroism. The distinguished men and exemplary Christians who from the days of old have adorned Ireland with noble deeds are well known to the readers of history. Ireland, therefore, has a right to our love and esteem. Gentlemen, endeavor to preserve and even to increase these blessings by means of your religious and civic virtues. Let your own powerful association always be a source of strength to the church and the community, and thus the glorious spirit of your ancestors will be perpetuated in you for the greater glory of God and the welfare of this land. I thank you sincerely for your sentiment

of attachment and devotedness to our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIII., and for your appreciation of my humble labors."

Monsignor Falconio conferred the Papal blessing on those present. Many pressed forward for the privilege and pleasure of saying farewell. Among those present on the platform were his Grace Archbishop Duhamel; Rev. Father Schaefer, O. F. M., Secretary to Monsignor Falconio; Father Murphy, St. Joseph's, and Father Sloan, Bayswater; J. C. Farrell, President Provincial Board Ancient Order of Hibernians, and the officers of the County Board.

The address itself is a beautiful piece of work, arranged in the form of a booklet, illustrated and illuminated. The frontispiece bears the Papal coat of arms. A border of maple leaves and shamrocks brightens the margin of the pages, emblematic of Canada and Ireland and the affection held for both countries by the members of the A. O. H. One design depicts St. Patrick with outstretched hand bearing the three-leaf shamrock explaining by it the mystery of the Trinity to the Kings of Tara.

NEW CHURCH

Of St. William Will Be Dedicated With Impressive Ceremonies.

The Right Rev. Bishop McCloskey will dedicate the new church of which St. William is the patron saint at 10:30 o'clock tomorrow morning. St. William is a handsome edifice of brick and stone which will stand for years as a monument to the zeal and energy of its popular young pastor, the Rev. Denis Murphy.

After the dedication Bishop McCloskey will celebrate Pontifical high mass. He will be assisted by his Vicar-General and nearly all the Catholic priests in the city. A choir of the best musical talent in the city will sing Haydn's Imperial Mass. Mrs. Katie Costigan will sing "The Inflammatus" at the Offertory. Dominic Gerardi will play a solo on the harp at the Gradual. The entire musical programme will be under the direction of Mrs. Katie C. Costigan.

The soprano will be Mrs. Katie C. Costigan, Misses Annetta Hollenkamp, Nellie Barrett, Annie Burke, Katherine Cerasola, Mayme Houry, Ella Hollenkamp and Mary McIntyre.

Alt.—Mrs. William T. Meehan, Misses Mayme Ramser, Agnes Edmonds and Blanche Carr.

Tenors—Messrs. Dohrmann, Rimmetsburg and Forge.

Bass—Messrs. Hodapp, Gruesser, Soeti and Ramser.

Organist Miss Marie Costigan.

In the evening at 7:30 o'clock Weiss' beautiful vesper will be sung, and Professor Eichhorn will render a cornet solo. After benediction of the most blessed sacrament the congregation will join with the choir in singing the Te Deum.

VERY SUDDENLY

Came the Final Summons
to Dr. John M.
Krim.

Dr. John M. Krim, one of the most prominent physicians in Louisville, died at his home, 600 East Broadway, last Wednesday morning. He was ill only an hour. Heart trouble caused his death.

Dr. Krim was born in Bavaria sixty years ago. He was brought to Louisville by his parents when he was quite a small boy. He attended the public schools here and then attended St. Mary's college near Lebanon. At sixteen he began the study of chemistry and spent several years abroad studying the subject. On his return to Louisville he opened a drug store at Jackson and Walnut streets. A few years later he began the study of medicine and in 1869 was given his degree by the University of Louisville. Since then he enjoyed a lucrative practice.

While he was not a member of the Catholic church, he was particularly kind to members of that church, and last spring furnished a room at St. Anthony's Hospital. He attended many Catholic families, knowing well that they were too poor to pay him. He was kind to all, irrespective of their social position or religious creed, and when he passed away the poor lost a good friend. He leaves a wife and one daughter, Mrs. Charles Rufer. The funeral took place from the First English Lutheran church on Thursday afternoon.

DILLON BETTER.

John Dillon, Nationalist member of Parliament, who was taken ill in Chicago, arrived in New York Monday to meet his wife, who came to America to be with him. He was considerably affected by his long trip, and was again compelled to take to his bed. The latest reports are that the great Irishman is much better and serious results are unlooked for. It is not likely, however, that he will address any more meetings in the United States, as his plans are arranged for returning to Ireland before the first of the year.

DECLINED POSITION.

John P. Cassilly has declined the position of stenographer in the Court of Appeals offered him by Judge Barker, and will remain here as official stenographer in the Circuit Court. Mr. Cassilly's Louisville patrons and friends approve of his decision.

INFAMIES

Practiced and Endured Among
Members of Royal Irish
Constabulary.

The Many Crimes Committed by
Sergeant Sheridan and
Accomplices.

British Government Admits
Charges Made by the
Irish Party.

SECRETARY WYNDHAM'S APOLOGY

"Sheridan, the clever detective officer, became a villain in exercising his profession and influenced and dazzled some young men by the force of his character and ability."

Such was the apology of the Chief Secretary for Ireland, Mr. Wyndham, for a series of police infamies which, if they had occurred in Russia, Turkey, Germany or France, would have evoked the fiercest indignation of the British people, says the Irish World. Sheridan was a Sergeant in the Royal Irish Constabulary. He was stationed for short periods in numerous parishes in Ireland, and his arrival in any parish was instantly followed by an outbreak of crime and by the conviction of the supposed law-breakers. All the crimes were committed by Sheridan himself, aided by accomplices in the police force, who joined the scoundrel in swearing away the liberties of innocent men; but the rogues fell out, and as a result of the resolutions which followed Sheridan was dismissed from the public service January 1, 1901.

The Government admit all the charges made by the Irish party. They admit that Sheridan and his brother policemen committed the crimes, including the mutilation of dumb animals, and they admit that, with a view to securing rewards and promotion, these ruffians were also guilty of infamous perjury in securing the conviction of absolutely innocent people, who were sent to prison for lengthened periods. But they refuse to prosecute the miscreants who committed such unspeakable atrocities.

The Government know that such a proceeding would demonstrate to the world that these horrible transactions are part of the system of government of Ireland and they shirk the challenge. After his dismissal Sheridan wrote to all the leading newspapers, defying the Government to take action—he even went to the lobby of the House of Commons and to dozens of members of Parliament he repeated the challenge. He is now in America. But more surprising facts remain. Some of the victims of the police plots have been compensated.

The policemen who committed the crimes and who swore away the liberties of innocent men were also rewarded. They received rewards at the time of the convictions, and even when their infamies were brought home to them they were not dismissed from the public service. Two were "allowed to retire" and the third is still in the police force and is still drawing his salary. Of the two who were allowed to retire Constable Reid actually received from the Government what they called a "compassionate allowance" of \$250 and Constable Keegan no less than \$1,000.

Contrast the attitude of the Government in Ireland with their attitude in London. During the very week that the Sheridan case was last being debated in the House of Commons a constable in the North London Police Court, named William Rolfe, accused a laboring man, named Wheelerbread, of loitering with intent to commit a felony. The Magistrate listened to the prisoner's story and at once discharged him, and although there was not a particle of evidence against the London constable except that of the accused man, the constable was forthwith taken into custody, prosecuted for perjury, convicted and sentenced to five years' penal servitude. Comment is needless.

The Sheridan revelations are doubtless a new experience with the present generation of Englishmen, but they are an old story with Irishmen. Every year during the past century found police agents in Ireland organizing conspiracies, inventing crimes and drawing rewards; every county in Ireland has its Sheridans at this day. Only a few years ago William O'Brien, M. P., charged the head of the detective force in Ireland with being persistently engaged in the perpetration of abominable and unmentionable crimes. The Government of the day did their best to save their official from conviction and to persecute and ruin O'Brien, but the conspiracy collapsed, and Inspector French and other Government officials were sent to penal servitude. To go no further back than Balfour's Chief Secretaryship it is an incontrovertible fact that Head Constable Whelan was during that period accidentally shot dead at Lisdoonvarna, County Clare, in the course of a "moonlighting" raid which he had himself organized, and that in 1890 Constable Palmer, who was caught red-handed at similar outrages in Shanbellmoore, County Tipperary, and convicted, was allowed by the Government to escape to America, and no effort was ever made by the Government to secure

his extradition. Sergeant Sullivan, of Mulranny, County Mayo, was proved, during the Chief Secretaryship of Gerald Balfour, to have sent money to lads in that district to induce them to commit outrages, and to have forged in the covering letter the name of a local Nationalist leader, but he is still retained in the police force, despite the fact that all the recognized handwriting experts in England swore positively to Sullivan's guilt. The Government deliberately sheltered and shielded him, and it requires no wild imagination to conclude that there are many other policemen in Ireland who have found that outrage-mongering is a game that pays and leads to promotion. And despite it all, some people wonder why the Irish people do not exude loyalty at every pore.

The Irish police are a military force, armed with repeating rifles and ball cartridge, and under military discipline. They have nothing in common with the police force in England or Scotland, for they are maintained, not for the detection of crime and the defense of the innocent, but for the collection of land rents and for the political purposes of the Government. Ireland is notoriously the most crime-ridden country on the face of the earth, and police work there is mainly confined to seizing animals found straying on the public roads, to attending National meetings, and to prosecuting the local and National leaders of the people. Outside of "loyal" Belfast they have little else to do. Yet, while the population of Ireland has decreased in fifty years by nearly one-half, the police force in this country has been doubled. They now number 14,000 and the luxury costs £1,300,000 a year.

GONE HOME.

Poor John O'Sullivan Has
Been Called Into Eter-
nal Rest.

Death's cold hand was laid on John Mitchell O'Sullivan at his home, 1520 Seventh street, last Sunday afternoon. Mr. O'Sullivan was in his twenty-ninth year, and at the time of his death was cashier for the local freight office of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company at Ninth and Broadway. He was recognized as one of the best railroad clerks in the business. But aside from that Johnny O'Sullivan was a genial, warm hearted young man, loyal to his friends and devoted to his father, mother, brother and sisters. He had been ailing for more than a year. He was a victim of lung trouble and sought relief in Las Vegas, New Mexico, where he remained three months. While there he regained his health to a certain extent, and upon his return home resumed his duties in the railroad office, but he was not for this world. He died, surrounded by all the members of his family save one, and fortified by the sacraments of our Holy Mother the Catholic church. Stretching out his wasted arms as if to embrace the members of his family who were at his bedside, he said: "Let us all go home." A few minutes later he breathed his last.

He is survived by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Timothy O'Sullivan, his sisters, Misses Minnie and Nellie O'Sullivan and Sisters Alexia and Doloretta, both of the Dominican order, and Robert Emmet O'Sullivan, his brother. Sister Doloretta, now at Jacksonville, Ill., and a cousin, Sister Antonius, in the world Miss Moriarity, were notified by telegraph but were unable to attend the funeral. Sister Alexia arrived here the day before her brother's death.

The funeral took place from St. Louis Bertrand's church at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning. A solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated with Rev. Father Martin as celebrant, Very Rev. Father Fowler as deacon, and Rev. Father Dunn as sub-deacon. Rev. Fathers Kennedy and O'Mahony occupied seats in the sanctuary and assisted in chanting the office for the dead. The funeral sermon was preached by the Rev. Father McFeeley, O. P., who had known the deceased since he came from Baltimore with his parents twenty-five years ago. "Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord, for he shall exult exceedingly in His commandments," was the text chosen by the reverend speaker. Father McFeeley said in brief that such a man was Johnny O'Sullivan. He held him up as an example for other young men to follow, and told of his patient suffering and his resignation to death. Graphically he told of the dead young man's devotion to his mother and father, sisters and brother, and how he had not forgotten the teachings of his early youth. The sermon was a fitting tribute to a noble young man.

The pallbearers were: Active—John Moriarity, John O'Connor, John McNamara, John Winn, Stephen Toomey, William Chaw, Tom Dignan and John Holland. Honorary—Thomas Campion, Theodore McCrory, Joseph Hutt, Jeremiah J. Kavanagh, Bernard P. J. Kavanagh, John Clancy, Michael Moriarity and Thomas Muldoon. Tenderly he was laid to rest on a green hillside in St. Louis cemetery.

No one knew John O'Sullivan who did not admire him, even as a boy. May he rest in peace is the prayer of his many friends. It should be a consolation to his family to know that he lived the life of the just.

MEET NEXT WEEK.

The regular meeting of the Irish-American Society will be held next Thursday night. All members are urged to attend.

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Men Are Those Elected Division
Officers By Local Hi-
bernians.

Never Did Such Harmony and
Enthusiasm Exist as
Now.

Kentucky Will Make a Great
Showing at St. Louis
Convention.

SUMMARY OF THE WEEK'S DOINGS

This has been an eventful week among Louisville Hibernians, and the results must prove most gratifying to members of the Ancient Order everywhere. The four divisions have elected their officers for the next two years, and the list of names shows that only men of integrity and high standing were chosen. The elections were spirited but always friendly, and the recognition given the young members was greater than ever before. All are energetic and popular, and the promises they made would indicate another wise and successful administration, and they are encouraged by the assurances of hearty support from their predecessors and the old workers of the order.

Tuesday evening there was an immense gathering of members of Division 1 at Hibernian Hall. The fact that officers were to be elected for the next two years brought out many who could get there only after some effort, the best evidence that their interest in the Ancient Order of Hibernians has not become lukewarm. President Thomas Dolan was in the chair and a great amount of business was transacted. An invitation from Division 3 to attend their next meeting, Monday, December 15, and witness the initiation of new members was received and accepted, and it was resolved to make a big turnout. Newton G. Rogers reported the proceedings of the Catholic Federation, and also submitted suggestions relative to the reinvestment of the funds now on hand. The latter will be referred to a special committee, who will report next month. The division by unanimous vote approved the proposition to place the management of the hall in the hands of the County Board. After the reading of a communication from County President Sullivan relating to the coming installation of officers the election was gone into with the following result:

President—Mike Tynan.
Vice President—John Riley.
Recording Secretary—Mark Ryan.
Financial Secretary—Peter J. Cusick.
Treasurer—Thomas F. Walsh.
Sergeant-at-Arms—John Dolan.
Sentinel—Michael McGillicuddy.
Standing Committee—Jas. Barry, Chairman; Newton G. Rogers, Martin Cusick, John M. Mulloy, Edward Clancy.

After the installation, which takes place the second Tuesday in January, President-elect Tynan will announce the names of the members who will constitute the division's degree team.

Division 4 met Wednesday night, and the assemblage of men from the Limerick section that greeted President John Hennessy when he took the chair was perhaps the largest of the year and went far to show their appreciation of the invaluable services rendered by the present officers, who have succeeded in bringing Division 4 into the front rank. There were visitors present from the State and County Boards, and when called upon they expressed their entire satisfaction with the proceeding, which were interesting throughout. This division, some years ago the smallest in Louisville, today boasts the largest membership in Kentucky, and notwithstanding the heavy drain upon its resources for charitable and other purposes, Treasurer Hellen yet holds about \$1,000 in reserve. With the new year plans will be put on foot to still further add to this very handsome sum.

Several sick claims were allowed, and the resolution to place the hall in the hands of the County Board was passed unanimously. County President Pat Sullivan outlined plans for the observance of St. Patrick's day, and encouraging talks were made by Will Meehan and President Tom Dolan. Next followed the most enthusiastic and harmonious election of officers the writer ever witnessed.

When the chair called for nominations for President nearly 150 men rose to their feet, but Joe McGinn secured the floor, and when in words eloquent and witty he named John H. Hennessy there was an outburst of applause that shook the walls. Try as he would to decline his words could not be heard, and his election was made by acclamation. The same spirit prevailed when Thomas Lynch was nominated for Vice President, and it was apparent all were acting upon the advice of John Barry that "one good turn deserves another." Each nominee was complimented by election by acclamation. The complete list is as follows:

President—John H. Hennessy.
Vice President—Thomas Lynch.
Recording Secretary—Thomas F. Callahan.
Financial Secretary—Joseph McGinn.
Assistant Secretary—Dave Reilly.

Treasurer—John P. Hellen.
Sergeant-at-Arms—William Ansbro.
Sentinel—William Schnell.

Standing Committee—John Murphy, John Barry, Michael J. Walsh, Charles Callahan and W. G. O'Rourke.

It was resolved to hold the next meeting and initiation on Sunday afternoon, December 21, instead of Christmas eve. The names of members for the various committees will be announced at the first meeting in January.

The last meeting of the week occurred Thursday evening, and the members of Division 2 manifested the same interest and enthusiasm displayed by her sister divisions. Not for months had there been such a turnout, and the proceedings gave entire satisfaction to all present. Will Meehan and Con Ford presided in turn, and when the routine business had been transacted the following were elected officers for the next two years:

President—Con J. Ford.
Vice President—James Welch.
Recording Secretary—Edward J. Keiran.

Financial Secretary—John J. Keaney.
Treasurer—Owen Keiran.
Sergeant-at-Arms—Thomas Conway.
Sentinel—James O'Connell.

Standing Committee—J. Charles Obst, William T. Meehan, Frank Byrne, Martin Minogue and John Ridge.

Will Meehan, for ten years past President of the division, but now State Secretary, declined re-election, but promised his successors his services whenever needed. An invitation from Division 3 was accepted and all bills ordered paid, and Secretary Keaney stated that the year would close with all members in good standing. Resolutions were adopted to meet only once a month next year and adjourning to Sunday afternoon, December 28. The Hall Board proposition was also carried by unanimous vote.

BIG EUCHERE

To Be Given in the Interest of
St. Anthony's New
Hospital.

The ladies of the Hospital Sewing Society will give a euchre at the new store building of Geher & Son, on the north side of Market, between Second and Third streets, on the afternoon and evening of January 22, 1903. The afternoon game will be called at 2:30 o'clock and the evening game at 8:30 o'clock. Both games will be called promptly at the hours mentioned. The admission will be only twenty-five cents and the prizes will be numerous and handsome. Refreshments will be served at moderate prices. A beautiful \$100 diamond brooch will be disposed of on the same evening. The solicitors of the Hospital Sewing Society are earnestly requested to be present at a meeting to be held at St. Anthony's Hospital to make the necessary arrangements for the euchre. These good women are doing a great work in the interest of charity and should have the support of all charitably inclined people.

MADE BIG GAINS.

Successful Year For Branch
5, Catholic Knights and
Ladies.

The members of Branch 5, Catholic Knights and Ladies of America, gathered Monday evening in large numbers at St. Cecilia's Hall, and when the adjournment took place a good night's work had been done. Branch 5 is now one of the largest in the city, having a net gain of about 25 per cent during the past year. President Hoban and Miss Nellie Byrne informed our reporters that their annual reports will be read at the January meeting, when the installation of officers will take place. The members showed their appreciation of the services of the old officers by re-electing the following for another year:

Spiritual Director—Rev. A. J. Brady.
President—M. M. Hoban.
First Vice President—Miss Katie Reardon.
Second Vice President—John Niland.
Recording Secretary—Miss Rena Weisenberg.
Financial Secretary—Miss Nellie Byrne.

Treasurer—Mrs. Mary Monahan.
Sergeant-at-Arms—Francis Andriott.
Sentinel—Mrs. Thomas Scully.

JOHN B. KELLY.

John B. Kelly, one of the best known citizens of the West End, has announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for representative of the Legislature from the Eleventh and Twelfth wards. He is a hustling Democrat who possesses all the qualifications that go to make the wise and honest legislator, and his friends feel confident of his nomination. His record as a city official and business man, as well as his invaluable assistance to the Democratic party for many years past, entitle him to this recognition.

MOONEY FOR BISHOP.

Archbishop Farley, it is said, will recommend to the Holy Father the appointment of Monsignor Joseph F. Mooney as Auxiliary Bishop of New York. As an Archbishop's recommendation is usually accepted, there is now little doubt that Monsignor Mooney will succeed to the place which Archbishop Farley vacates to assume his higher office. Archbishop Farley waits only to be installed as successor of the late Archbishop Corrigan, when he will send his formal indorsement to Rome.

EVICCTIONS

Carried on by the Markle Coal
Company in Penn-
sylvania.

Pitiful Stories Told the Strike
Commission by Young
and Old.

Kept the Wages of Children For
Years to Pay Back
Rent.

COMMISSIONERS AT LAST SURPRISED

The Strike Commission hearing witnesses at Scranton has brought out some fearful testimony against the operators. At the session held Tuesday morning a Hungarian, Henry Coll, a Markle miner, told how his family, including his mother-in-law, who was a hundred years old, were set out on the road with their household goods. He gave a graphic description of how he was injured many times. He said one of his legs was no better than a wooden one; he had only one eye, his hands had been crushed, ribs broken and skull fractured. The company gave him nothing until after the employees took up a collection for him, then he was given \$50, after being on the injured list for two years.

Then followed the most pathetic story yet told the commission. The old miner, decrepit from many injuries, told under examination of how the eviction was carried on. The wife was sick and her 100-year-old mother was blind and unable to walk. The day on which they were thrown out was rainy. He took them as best he could to Hazleton, seven miles away, and placed them in a cold, damp, empty house. This was last month when the atmosphere on the Hazleton mountain was quite cold. His wife became worried. Medical aid was kindly furnished free by a Hazleton doctor, but it did not help her much.

"We were greatly worried because of our having been turned out of our house and one night," the witness said between sobs, "she died."

"She died," said Judge Gray, who was passing to and fro across the room, and he quickly turned when he heard the man's last words.

"Yes, she died and I buried her yesterday."

No one cared to cross-examine, and Judge Gray said:

"That is all, Mr. Coll, and that's enough."

Mrs. Kate Burns, of Jeddo, was called to the stand during the afternoon and told a story of how she and her two boys worked thirteen years to pay off an accumulated house rent and coal bill due to the Markle company, the narration of which deeply interested the commission. She was examined by Lawyer Darow, and in answer to his questions she said her husband was an engineer inside the Markle mines. Her husband was killed underground, leaving her with four children, the oldest of which was a boy of eight years. The company never offered her a penny, but the employees gave her about \$180 to defray the funeral expenses.

After her husband had been killed she moved from her four-room house into one containing only two, one above the other, and for the next six years she struggled as best she could to get along. She took in washing, scrubbed for the neighbors, and once in a while she was given work cleaning the offices of the Markle Company. During these six years she kept her children at school, and as soon as the eldest was fourteen years old she sent him to the mines to help earn the daily bread. At the end of the first month the lad brought home his wage statement, showing that the mother owed \$396 for back rent.

The boy's wages for the month had been taken off the bill and he came home empty-handed. She submitted to this, and in the course of time her next boy was old enough to help earn a living, and he, too, was sent to the colliery. Like the older brother, the second boy received no pay, his earnings being deducted for rent.

Tears were by this time gathering in the witness' eyes, and when she added that the money she earned for cleaning the Markle office was never given her, but kept by the company for rent, the commissioners looked at one another in surprise. She said it took the three of them thirteen years to make up the debt, the mother's earnings from neighbors being the principal contribution toward the maintenance of the family. The debt was cleared in August. During the six years from the time her husband was killed until the time the first boy went to work the company never asked her for rent.

TAKES HIS OLD PLACE.

Edward Brown, a well known young Irishman, has returned to his former position with Pat Howard, the grocer at Twelfth and Kentucky streets. This will be welcome news to the many friends of the former and insures prompt and satisfactory service for the large number who patronize the successful and popular young grocer. They are making preparations to entertain a large number Christmas day.